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## PRICE LIST

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### California and Adjoining Regions

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*A. H. ALVERSON,*

COLLECTOR AND DEALER IN

### CACTI, BULBS, SEEDS, RARE PLANTS

San Bernardino, Cal.

I personally collect the plants I offer from this region, and select only the finest, some being entirely new to science and collections. The number may not be large, but I trust will be worthy of trial. I endeavor to give satisfaction in every instance and try to make my customer my friend. Of Mexican, and sorts from other distant localities, I have a large collection, of which I will name only a few, as I do not personally collect these and the variety is so large, the source of supply so uncertain and the price rather high withal, it is almost impossible to keep a constant supply of good plants on hand. If, however, any of my friends wish any of these plants I would be pleased to know their wishes and, probably, I can supply the desired sort. The price, however, will depend entirely on the size and quality of plants in stock.

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## SPECIALTIES.

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**Echinocactus Polyancistrus.** An exceedingly rare and strikingly beautiful plant, with large magenta colored flowers. The plant has two sorts of spines—numerous round hooked and brownish pink, and fewer ivory white and not hooked. This plant occurs singly at widely separated localities, hence it has been called the "Hermit cactus." So rare is this plant that even the Government exploring and surveying expeditions brought in only about six plants; but by the most diligent and persistent search I have secured about one to each two million inhabitants of the United States. I have the honor to be the first collector and dealer to place this plant on the market. Price \$1, \$2 and \$3.

**California Grizzly Bear Cactus.** I am also the first collector and dealer to place this remarkable plant before the public, which has been no easy matter, growing as it does far in the almost inaccessible dry desert regions where water and feed for the teams, as well as all camp equipage, has to be transported over the barren and burning sands and rocks for days and weeks in heavy wagons or on pack animals. Often water gives out before other tanks or springs are reached, then intense suffering ensues. Once our expedition was without water for two days. This plant cost me three separate expeditions before I found its hiding place. This curious plant is covered with tawny white hair or flexuous spines, some of which are from three to six inches long, and I have some extra fine specimens

with these spines or hairs nine and twelve inches long. Plants five to eight inches, 50 cents and \$1.

**Mamillaria Phellosperma.** This plant is becoming scarce. Flowers pink; bloom in fall; fruit bright red; soft white radial spines; centrals one to six, brown or black and hooked; very interesting; should be kept quite dry until growth begins; then give but little moisture. 25c., 50c.; elnsters, 50c. to \$1.00.

**Mamillaria Alversonii.** Named for me by President John M. Coulter, of the Lake Forest University, Illinois, and described in a Government Revision of the Cactaceae recently published. Sixty to eighty short stout gray spines tipped with black or brown, on each tubercle; flowers pink, fruit grayish green, and edible; single and in clusters. 25 cents and 75 cents.

**Echinocereus Engelmanni.** I have extra good specimens of this sort. These plants grow mostly in large clusters, but in collecting I have selected only the finest single or double stem plants well rooted and bright spined, these vary in different plants from brown to yellow and white and black and white. All good sized, large purple or magenta flowers. Price 25c. to 50 cents.

**Opuntia Echinocarpa Cristata.** Several plants of this sort of various sizes, from two to ten inches high, flattened and twisted into many curious and grotesque shapes; quite densely covered with spines about half an inch long. It would be difficult to describe all accurately, but prices range from 50 cents to \$3.00.

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**Opuntia Parryi.** A small clavate form with large brown and gray flat spines deflecting like the ribs of an umbrella. Rare in collections and I believe not before on the market in its true form. Prostrate or creeping habit, seldom more than four to six inches high and might well be mistaken for a cereus. Small single joints, 25 cents, clusters 50 cents to \$1.00.

**Opuntia Tessellata Cristata.** Certainly a handsome and curious form. The stem or branches of the natural plant are small, and the little fans or cristate parts are only about half-inch to inch and a half across, but many of them on an old plant are a curious sight. Two or more fans with part of branch make a small but pretty plant. Price, according to number of fans, 50 cents to \$1.00.

**Echinopsis Multiplex Cristata.** Strangely contorted. 50 cents to \$1.00.

**E. Cylindraceus.** Of this beautiful plant too much cannot be said. These plants differ greatly both in color and length of spines, some are bright red or pink, others light yellow and dove color. Price 25 cents and 50 cents.

A new variety with enormously elongated and twisted spines and beautiful color, large plants. Price \$1.00 to \$3.00.

**Cereus Formosus Monstrous.** One graft on *Cereus Colubrinus*, \$1.00, smaller on own root, 50 cents.

**O. Basilaris Monstrosus.** Several forms widely differing. All curious and good Price 25 cents to \$1.00.

**Cereus Flagelliformis Cristata.** The Elk Horn cactus, one of the best and most curious. Small grafts, rooted, soon grow to large proportions. \$1.00 to \$5.00.

**E. Polycephalus.** A fine and quite rare, heavy red spined sort growing naturally in large clusters, handsome young single plants, four to eight inches, Price, 50 cents to \$1.00.

**O. Echinocarpa.** Tree-like branching growth, round stems, with numerous glistening spines of various colors. Yellow, white, etc., rooted cuttings, Price 25c and 50 cents.

**Echinocactus Johnsonii.** This rare and handsome plant has not before, I believe, been on the market in this country. Like *E. Polyancistrus* it grows in "out of the way" places, and has cost me much trouble to secure only a few. The spines are quite numerous and appear of nearly equal length, reddish ash color turning, when wet, into deep red. Price \$1 to \$3.

**Astrophytum Myriostigma** or Bishops cap. A curious plant. 25 cents and 50 cents.

**Pelecyphora Asselliformis.** So-called Hatchet cactus, a strange plant. 25c and 50 cents.

**Pelecyphora Pectinata.** A pretty and rare cactus. 50 cents and 75 cents.

**E. Whipplei.** Of this rare plant I have only a limited stock as they are even more difficult to find than *E. Polyancistrus*, so that I can accept only conditional orders. The spines are some white flat and upright, others hooked. Price \$1 to \$3.

## GENERAL LIST.

### **Gereus.**

Blancki.....	\$ .25	\$ .50
Baumannii.....	.50	.75
Cochal.....	.50	1.00
Chliotilla.....	.75	1.00
Colubrinus.....	.25	1.00
Conglomeratus.....	.25	.75
Dumortieri.....	.75	2.00
Emoryi.....	.25	.50
Edulis.....	1.00	2.00
Maynardii.....	.50	1.00
Pugioniferus.....	.50	3.00
Regelii.....	.25	.50
Macdonaldi.....	.25	.50
Serpentinus.....	.25	5.0
Speciosissimus.....	.50	.75
Thurberii.....	.50	1.00
Tortuosus.....	.25	.75
Triangularis.....	.15	.75
Tuberous.....	.25	.50
Variabilis.....	.25	.75
Mexicanus.....	.25	.50
Uranus.....	.50	1.00
Patagonicus.....	1.00	2.00
Tilophorus.....	.50	1.00
Casius.....	1.00	2.00
Validus.....	1.00	2.00
Flagelliformis.....	.15	.25
Gumosus.....	.50	1.00
Grandiflorus.....	.15	.50
Gemmatus.....	.50	1.00
Geometrizans.....	.50	1.00
Giganteus.....	1.00	5.00
Greggi.....	.50	2.00
Invicta.....	.50	.75
Janiacaru.....	1.00	6.00
Lageniformis.....	.2.	.50
Marginatus.....	.25	1.00
Mariiumus.....	.25	.75
Mojayensis.....	.25	1.00
Nickelsii.....	1.00	3.00
Nycticalus.....	.25	.50
Pringlei.....	2.00	5.00
Peruvianus.....	.50	6.00
Janiacaru Glaucus.....	1.00	2.00
Marginatus, new.....	.50	1.00
Monoclonus.....	1.00	2.00

### **Echinocactus.**

Cornigerus.....	\$ .75	\$ 1.00
Multicostatus.....	.50	1.00
Setispinus.....	.25	.75
Viridescens.....	.15	.50
Cylindraceus.....	.15	3.00
Horizonthalonius.....	.50	1.00
Johnsonii.....	1.00	3.00
LeContei.....	.25	.75
Polycephalus.....	.50	1.00
Polyancistrus.....	1.00	5.00
Texensis.....	.25	.75
McDowellii.....	.75	1.00
Poselgerianus.....	.75	1.00
Heterochromus.....	.75	1.00
Ornatus Mirbelli.....	1.00	2.00
Grusonii.....	1.00	3.00
Chrysacanthus.....	.75	1.00
Mattsonii.....	.75	1.00
Saltilensis.....	.75	1.00
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Whippleii.....	1.00	3.00

### **Echinocereus.**

Berlandieri.....	.25	.50
Cæspitosus.....	.15	.25
Candicans (Rainbow).....	.25	.50
Chloranthus.....	.25	.50
Dasyacanthus.....	.25	.50
Sanguineus.....	.25	.50
Stramineus.....	.50	.75
Rigidissimus (Rainbow).....	.25	.50
Procumbens.....	.25	.50
Pectinatus.....	.15	.25
Paucispinus.....	.50	.75
Fendleri.....	.25	.50
Enneacanthus.....	.15	.25
Engelmanni.....	.15	.50
Engelmanni Variegatus.....	.25	.75
Engelmanni Chrysocentrus.....	.15	.50
Engelmanni Albispinus.....	.50	1.00

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### Mamiliaria.

Applanata .....	.25
Cornifera .....	.50
Dolichocentra.....	.50
Decipiens.....	.25
Leona.....	.50
Grahamii .....	.25
Goodridgii.....	.15
Heyderi.....	.25
Lasiacantha.....	.25
Micromeris .....	.25
Greggii.....	.25
Minima .....	.10
Nuttalli.....	.10
Nickelsii.....	.25
Pectinata .....	.25
Pondii.....	.75
Petersonii.....	.25
Pusilla .....	.25
Stella Aurata.....	.15
Tuberculosa.....	.25
Arietiena .....	.25
Alversonii .....	.25
Carnea.....	.50
Candida.....	.50
Elegans.....	.25
Krameri .....	.50
Macromeris.....	.25
Meiacantha .....	.75
Microthele .....	.25
Phellosperma .....	.25
Odierana.....	.25
Rodantha Brunea.....	.50
Schmidtii.....	.50
Uncinata.....	.50
Vetula.....	.25
Wrightii .....	.25
Wildiana.....	.25
Pycnacantha .....	.50
Halei.....	1.00
Radliana.....	.75
Compacta.....	.25

### Opuntia.

Basilaris.....	.15
Basilaris Nevadensis..	.25
Fulgida.....	.15

### Miscellaneous.

<b>Houttuynia Californica.</b>
The Yerba Mansa of the Mexicans, much used for medicine. Price 25c and 50c.
<b>Kleinia Articulata</b> , or candle plant, a curious growth from Africa. Price 10c and 25c.
<b>Echidnopsis Cereiformis.</b> Not a cactus, but another curious leafless African plant, resembling an ear of green corn. Price 15c to 50c
<b>Fouquiera Splendens.</b> The so-called Spanish "crown of thorns." Price 25c and 50c.
<b>Rochea Falcata.</b> A strange looking plant bearing handsome flowers. Price 15c to 50c.
<b>Chlorogalum Pomeridianum.</b> The bulb looks like a cocoanut and is used by the Indians as soap. Price 25c and 50c.
<b>Sansevieria Zeylanica.</b> Spotted leaved ornamental plant. Price 25c and 50c.
<b>Pedilanthus Tithymaloides.</b> An Euphorbiad from Cuba. Price 25c and 50c.
<b>Bryophyllum Calycinum.</b> Or "sprouting leaf," a plant of easy growth. Price 10c and 25c.
<b>Sedum Perfotiatum.</b> Leaves look like beads on a string. Price 15c and 25c.
<b>Sempervivum Aracnoides.</b> Spider-web plant, a pretty and strange plant. Price 15c and 25c.
<b>Dracena Draco</b> or Dragon tree. Price 25c to \$1.00.
<b>Dichaea Remotiflora.</b> An orchid. Price 50c to \$1.00.

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### Agave.

Subulata .....	\$ .50	\$ .75
Americana.....	.10	.25
Americana, variegata..	.25	.50
Victoria Regina.....	.50	3.00
Mieroeantha .....	.50	1.00
Maculata.....	.50	.50
Mexieana Recurvata..	.25	.50
Grandidentata.....	.50	1.00
Macracantha .....	.50	1.00
Applanata .....	.50	1.00
Spicata .....	.50	1.00
Heteraeantha .....	.50	1.00
Besseriana.....	.50	1.00
Deserti .....	.50	1.00

### Aloe.

Africana.....	.25	.50
Medica.....	.10	.50
Vera .....	.15	.50
Variegata.....	.15	.50
Saponaria .....	.25	.50
Panienlata .....	.25	.50
Latifolia.....	.25	.50
Lizard Tongue.....	.15	.25

### Gotyledon.

Hoveyi'.....	.25	.50
Perbelli .....	.25	.50
Pulverulenta .....	.15	.25
Farinosa.....	.10	.15
Nevadensis .....	.10	.15
Agavoides .....	.50	1.00
Thomanii <i>at the</i> .....	.25	.80
Arborescens.....	.10	.25
Secunda Glauca.....	.10	.15
Californica .....	.10	.25
Edulis.....	.10	.25
Orbiculata.....	.10	.25
Tenuissima.....	.15	.25
Minima .....	.15	.25

### Grassula.

Laetea.....	.10	.25
Rotundifolia .....	.25	.50
Falcata (rochea).....	.15	.25
Cordata .....	.15	.25

Gracilis.....	.10	.15
Calycinum (bryophyllum).....	.10	.25
Perfoliatum .....	.15	.25

### Euphorbia.

Cereiformis .....	.25	.50
Havanensis.....	.25	.50
Splendens.....	.10	.15
Canariensis.....	.25	.50
Lactea .....	.25	.50
Candelabra .....	.10	.15
Pulcherrima - Poinsettia.....	.25	.50
Granti .....	.25	.50

### Gasteria.

Lingua .....	.....	.....
Punctata .....	.....	.....
Maeulata .....	.....	.....
Glabra .....	.....	.....
Nigricans .....	.....	.....
Verrucosa .....	.....	.....
Spiralis Receda.....	.....	.....

### Haworthia.

Atrovirens .....	.15	.25
Cymbiformis .....	.25	.50
Translutescens.....	.15	.25
Radula .....	.15	.50
Margaritifera .....	.25	.50
Rugosa .....	.25	.50
Granata .....	.25	.50
Longiaristata .....	.15	.25
Margaretifera Minima	.25	.50

### Mesembryanthemum.

Deltoideum.....	.25	.50
Tigrinum .....	.50	1.00
Glaucum .....	.15	.25
Crystallianum .....	.15	.25

### Rhipsalis.

Pachyptera.....	.15	.25
Rhombea .....	.15	.25
Salieornoides .....	.10	.25
Cassytha .....	.10	.25
Saglionis .....	.10	.25

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### **Rhipsalis.**

Mincatura . . . . .	.15	.25
Cylindrica . . . . .	.10	.15
Funalis . . . . .	.10	.25

### **Stapelia.**

Grandiflora . . . . .	.15	.25
Marmorata . . . . .	.15	.25
Variegata . . . . .	.10	.15
Glabraflora . . . . .	.15	.25

### **Echinopsis.**

Eyriesii . . . . .	\$ .25	\$ .50
Mullerii . . . . .	.25	.50
Multiplex . . . . .	.25	.50
Oxygona . . . . .	.25	.50

### **Epiphyllum.**

Truncatum . . . . .	.15	.25
Russellianum . . . . .	.15	.25
Gaertneri . . . . .	.25	.50

### **Pereskia.**

Aculeta . . . . .	.10	.25
Subulata . . . . .	.25	.50
Bleo . . . . .	.25	.50

### **Phyllocactus.**

Albus Superbus . . . . .	.10	.25
Roseus Superbus . . . . .	.10	.25
Wrayi . . . . .	.10	.25
Ackermanni . . . . .	.10	.25
Anguliger . . . . .	.25	.50
Latifrons . . . . .	.15	.25
Peacockii . . . . .	.50	1.00
Phyllanthoides . . . . .	.25	.50

### **Anhalonium.**

Fissuratum . . . . .	.25	.50
Prismaticum . . . . .	.50	1.00
Williamsii . . . . .	.25	.50

### **Pilocereus.**

Senilis . . . . .	.25	5.00
Houleltii . . . . .	.25	2.00
Schottii . . . . .	1.00	3.00
Sargentianus (Schottii)	1.00	3.00

### **Opuntia.**

Frutescens . . . . .	.10	.25
Arenaria . . . . .	.15	.25
Bernardina . . . . .	.15	.25
Bigelowii . . . . .	.25	.50
Brachyarthra . . . . .	.10	.25
Clavata . . . . .	.10	.25
Chlorotica . . . . .	.25	.50
Cylindrica . . . . .	.25	.75
Cylindrica Cristata . . . . .	.50	1.00
Monacantha . . . . .	.10	.25
Monacantha Variegata . . . . .	.25	.50
Grahami . . . . .	.15	.25
Parryi . . . . .	.15	.25
Microdasys . . . . .	.10	.25
Nigricans . . . . .	.15	.25
Engelmanni . . . . .	.10	.15
Occidentalis . . . . .	.10	.15
Echinocarpa . . . . .	.15	.25
Glaucomphylla . . . . .	.25	.50
Senilis . . . . .	.15	.25
Tessellata . . . . .	.15	.25
Tessellata Denudata . . . . .	.10	.15
Tessellata den Cristata . . . . .	.50	1.00
Microdasys—variety . . . . .	.15	.25
Ursus Horribilis . . . . .	.50	1.00
Invicta—new . . . . .	.50	.75
Whipplei . . . . .	.15	.25
Maritima . . . . .	.15	.25
Davisii . . . . .	.15	.25
Tuna Glauca . . . . .	.25	.50
Tuna Glabra . . . . .	.25	.50
Tuna Communis . . . . .	.25	.50
Multiflorus . . . . .	.10	.15
Filipendula . . . . .	.10	.15
Emoryi . . . . .	.10	.15
Caninaechica . . . . .	.15	.25
Nopalca . . . . .	.10	.15
Rafinesquiana . . . . .	.10	.15
Leucospina . . . . .	.25	.50
Clavariooides . . . . .	.15	.25
Clavoriaides Cristata . . . . .	.25	.50
Basilaris Cordata . . . . .	.15	.25
Subulata—Pereskia . . . . .	.25	.50
Vulgaris . . . . .	.10	.15
Rutila . . . . .	.25	.50

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**YUCCA.**

Arborescens . . . . .	.25	.75
Baccata . . . . .	.25	.75
Whipplei . . . . .	.25	.50
Elate Alba Marginata.	\$1.00	\$2.00
Variegata . . . . .	.50	1.00

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**MISCELLANEOUS.****Eichornia Crassipes.**

Water hyacinth or orchid lily, an aquatic with beautiful flowers. 15c and 25c.

**Myriophyllum Proserpinacoides**, or parrot's feather, another pretty aquatic, 10c and 15c.

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**SPECIAL OFFER NO. 1.**

There are many people who, for various good reasons, had rather have small cuttings or very small plants than the full sized and often high priced specimens. There are many sorts from which cuttings or small offsets can be taken, and there are also sometimes found very small plants, often too small to be typical or show character of the species, but healthy and well rooted, which with a little growth will develop into fine specimens. Of these cuttings and small plants I offer from many plants in this catalogue at the uniform price of ten (10) cents each, in lots of not less than ten, assorted, or of one kind, as preferred—provided I have such on hand; if not, I will make up the number from my own choice. Or, you may send names of double, or more, the number paid for, from which I may more readily make a selection, if in stock. No order filled for less than one dollar.

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**SPECIAL OFFER NO. 2.**

For one dollar I will send post paid of my choice twenty (20) cuttings or small plants of Cacti, or succulents, or assorted of each as may be desired. The purchaser may if so disposed name half of the plants desired and I will put in what I can and make up the balance from my choice, all named.

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For \$2 to \$10 extras will be put in free. The larger the amount the more extras you will receive.

You get the small plants or small cuttings by mail or express, prepaid, at a very small cost, and you have the pleasure of seeing your pets grow under your care.

When you receive your Cactus, cut off all bruised roots, set on a bed or deep box of sand. Do not water often, but do not let the sand quite dry out. When the plant is rooted, pot off or plant. See that your soil is well drained and water cautiously only in growing weather.

Where errors occur, patrons will confer a favor by advising me of the same at once. I take the utmost care to prevent errors, and will cheerfully correct when the fault is mine.